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We had our IT folks on alert this morning don't think we had any attempts

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Doug—FYI. Thanks.

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All,

Due to the below news release concerning the permit for the Natural Gas Pipeline, there are concerns that the sensitivity of the subject **may** cause rise to hacktivist activities. We have not received any intelligence of any actions against the State, however, all security and IT operations on call and weekend shifts need to be informed to be on alert for anomalous network activities over the course of the upcoming days. Please ensure that active monitoring is being conducted and that personnel are prepared to conduct incident response activities as needed.

If the ESRMO staff receives any intelligence of planned malicious activities, we will alert you as received.

Full Story in the link below:

<http://www.wral.com/nc-regulators-grant-key-permit-for-natural-gas-pipeline/17291910/>

# NC regulators grant key permit for natural gas pipeline

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By Matthew Burns, WRAL.com senior producer/politics editor

**RALEIGH, N.C.** — State regulators on Friday gave the go-ahead for a \$5 billion natural gas pipeline to be built in eight North Carolina counties.

The Atlantic Coast Pipeline, which will be owned and operated by Duke Energy and Dominion Energy, will carry natural gas more than 600 miles from West Virginia to southeastern North Carolina, ending in Robeson County.

The Department of Environmental Quality issued the key water-quality permit for the project after an "exhaustive eight-month review" that included public hearings in Fayetteville and Rocky Mount and five requests for more information from the utilities.

"DEQ left no stone unturned," Secretary Michael Regan said in a statement. "Our job doesn't end with the granting of the permit but continues as we hold the company accountable to live up to its commitments. Our efforts have resulted in a carefully crafted permit that includes increased environmental protections, while giving us the tools we need to continue close oversight of this project as it moves forward."

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